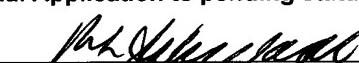


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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 | | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 016906-0453 |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/005418 | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 05/19/2004 | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) 10/560,362 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 06/13/2003 |
| TITLE OF INVENTION ASSEMBLY ARRANGEMENT FOR AN AIR CONDITIONING UNIT | | |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Evripidis KOUKOURAVAS and Gebhard SCHWEIZER | | |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: | | |
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. | | |
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| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. | | |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). | | |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) | | |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). | | |
| 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. | | |
| 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). | | |
| 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). | | |
| 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). | | |
| Items 11 to 20 below concern other document(s) or information included: | | |
| 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. | | |
| 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. | | |
| 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. | | |
| 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. | | |
| 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. | | |
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| 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b). | | |

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| The following fees have been submitted: | | | |
| 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee \$300 | | \$ 0.00 | |
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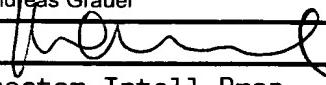
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Applicant/Patent Owner: Evripidis KOUKOURAVAS et al.
 Application No.: 10/560,362 Filed: 12/12/2005
 Patent No.: _____ Issue Date: _____
 Docket Number: 016906-0453
 Entitled: ASSEMBLY ARRANGEMENT FOR AN AIR CONDITIONING UNIT

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**ASSEMBLY ARRANGEMENT FOR AN AIR
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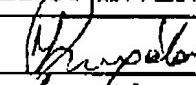
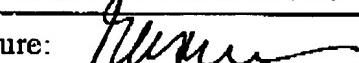
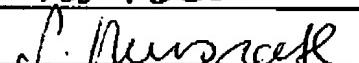
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